

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Novel compositions for treating skin defects and effecting desired cosmetic changes by way of soft tissue augmentation, combine at least one soft tissue filler and at least one peptide copper complex. Typically, the compositions are suitable for injection into skin areas in need of such treatment. Also disclosed are methods for treating skin defects and effecting desired cosmetic changes. One disclosed method employs the disclosed compositions wherein the soft tissue fillers and peptide copper complexes are combined. Other disclosed methods combine the soft tissue fillers and peptide copper complexes during application of the method itself by way of injection, or a combination of injection and topical application, of the fillers and complexes.

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